## Opioid Prescription Control: When the Corrective Goes Too Far

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he purpose of this program is to delve deeper into the complexity of the evolving opioid epidemic. This program will discuss how the opioid epidemic has evolved including current trends in opioid prescribing and use, early causes of the opioid epidemic, and factors that sustain the epidemic today. In addition, federal response policies will be discussed including the intended and unintended impacts for prescribers and patients. CDC Guidelines that encourage a careful weighing of risks and benefits for each patient will also be reviewed. Finally, the importance of patient and provider education and legislation in preventing prescription overdose death will be introduced.

## **PROGRAM OBJECTIVES**

- 1. Summarize the evolution of the United States opioid epidemic.
- 2. Discuss how current federal policies impact providers in prescribing opioids.
- 3. Review CDC guidance providers can use when weighing the risk and benefits of prescribing opioids to patients.
- 4. List 2-3 state and/or federal policies and strategies for preventing overdose deaths.



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## **CONFERENCE DETAILS:**

Target Audience: Primary healthcare providers, nurses, social workers, public health professionals, health educators,

those working with veterans, and others working in a health care setting

Continuing Education: Nurses 1 hour and social workers 1 hour

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